# MICHAEL J. GOLDSTEIN

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Self-motivated computer engineer with strong communication and leadership skills. Interested in systems engineering, computer security and cryptography, hardware engineering & design, and real-time computing.

#### **Education**

### University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign - College of Engineering

GPA: 3.4 / 4.0; Major: Computer Engineering; Anticipated Graduation: May 2017

Honors: Ambassador for Engineering Marketing Dept; Third in Microsoft OS Design Competition

## **Experience**

### Akuna Capital, Hardware Engineering Intern - May 2016 - present; Chicago, IL

- Worked on parts of Akuna's proprietary hardware trading engine in SystemVerilog
- Wrote testbenches to verify the modules created

### Akuna Capital, Software Engineering Intern - Mar 2014 - Jan 2016; Champaign, IL & Chicago, IL

- Developed and maintained proprietary software in C# used by derivatives traders
- Reviewed code and mentored other interns
- Worked 10-20 hours per week as an intern while a full time student at the University of Illinois
- Chosen as a finalist for Research Park Most Outstanding Undergraduate Intern

## **University of Illinois, ECE 391 Teaching Assistant** – Starting Aug 2016; Champaign, IL

- Chosen from hundreds of students to be an undergraduate TA for the next two semesters
- Responsibilities will include staying familiar with course progress and material, answering questions posted to online forums, holding office hours in the lab, and grading exams

#### University of Illinois, Research Park Ambassador - Sept 2014 - Dec 2015; Champaign, IL

 Attended career fairs and spoke with attendees about relevant positions for them within the University of Illinois Research Park and the benefits of working there

## **Projects**

#### **Secure VOIP Phone -** June 2016 - present

- Creating an FPGA chip in SystemVerilog to decrypt/play and encrypt/send voice data via UDP datagram in a real-time manner
- Creating an identification server to assist with two nodes connecting for a call

#### **Pseudorandom Number Generator** – June 2013 – Feb 2015

- Researched random number generation and developed a pseudorandom number generator in Java
- Wrote a blog article describing random number generation read it here bit.ly/mgold\_rng
- Created a test framework for random number generators to run statistical tests of randomness using several different methods
- Wrote a blog article describing how to go about testing PRNGs read it here bit.ly/mgold rand

#### **Stroll Safe** – *Mar 2015 – May 2015*

- Developed an Android app to keep students safe when walking places late at night
- Awarded "Most Dropboxy Hack" at HackIllinois
- Wrote a blog article about the overall experience read it here bit.ly/mgold\_hackillinois

#### **Make Chrome Great Again** – Feb 2016

- Created a humorous Google Chrome extension to find and replace faces with Donald Trump's face
- Awarded "Honorable Mention" by Google at HackIllinois
- Released the extension to the Chrome Webstore get it here bit.ly/make\_chrome\_great